Rhode Island Department of Children, Youth and Families

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Subject: Proposed Rules Relating to Mental Health Emergency Services for Children and Families
Tuesday April 25, 2006
6:00-8:00 PM

Forman Center Auditorium (Room C)
Rhode Island College
Mt. Pleasant Avenue Complex
Providence, RI 02908

The Department of Children, Youth and Families (DCYF) will hold a Public Hearing to discuss the adoption of proposed DCYF rule, **Mental Health Emergency Service Interventions for Children, Youth and Families - Regulations for Certification.** This proposed rule establishes the licensing provisions for agencies seeking to deliver child-family competent emergency service interventions for children whose health insurance is publicly funded.

The proposed regulations are in compliance with RI General Laws 40.1-5-6 and 42-72-5.2.

The proposed regulations are accessible on the DCYF website (http://www.dcyf.ri.gov) or available in hard copy upon request (401 528-3548). Persons wishing to testify may do so by signing up at the Hearing or by submitting written testimony by Friday, April 28, 2006 to Janet Anderson, Ed.D., Assistant Director for Community Services and Behavioral Health, Department of Children, Youth and Families, 101 Friendship Street, Providence, RI 02903.

This hearing is held and the regulations are processed in accordance with the Administrative Procedures Act, Chapter 42-35 of the Rhode Island General Laws.

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Patricia Martinez, Director